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Rural Labour Mobility : cohesion and social inclusion policy in Europe

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The Rural Policy Learning Commons (RPLC), Migration Research Team, is proud to bring to you the following **WEBINAR**: "Rural Labour Mobility: cohesion and social inclusion policy in Europe."

ABSTRACT

Labour mobility is one of the central principles of the European Union (EU). It is an important element not only in relation to economic objectives, but is also viewed as important in strengthening territorial social cohesion and social inclusion. The emphasis on the free movement of labour – between occupations and of workers between regions and countries in the EU - is perceived as a mechanism for ensuring a good match between the skills and experience of workers and the jobs they hold, as well as an important characteristic of an effective labour market. The presentation will provide an overview of recent trends in rural migration in the EU and a discussion of some of challenges in reconciling labour mobility and social cohesion/inclusion.

PRESENTER



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